

In the Specification

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 25, and replace it with the following paragraph:

The foregoing type of plow has limited usefulness however, since the vehicle must be moved in a forward direction to move the snow, earth, or other material. When such a plow is moved in a backward direction the efficiency of the blade decreases. For convenience, the following description will be directed to the use of a plow for moving earth but it will be appreciated by those skilled in the art that the plow of the invention may be used for other material moving operations such as snow removal, in grain silos, spreading of gravel, in sewage tanks where the assembly may be mounted on a device other than a vehicle, the preparation of a surface before pouring concrete on the surface such as the spreading of plastic (Styrofoam) granules on the surface, and the like. The term "plow" will be used herein to mean a device which is attached to the front of a vehicle and the vehicle is moved forward to move the earth. The term "claw" will be used herein to mean a device which is attached to the front of a vehicle and the vehicle is moved backward to scrape or pull the earth and/or to rake or till the earth.

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 20, and replace it with the following paragraph:

The above and other objects and advantages, which will be apparent to one of skill in the art, are achieved in the present invention which is directed to, in a first aspect, a combination plow and claw assembly for plowing a surface and clawing a

surface wherein the function of the assembly can be easily changed by the operator of the vehicle during use of the assembly comprising:

a first elongated horizontal pipe support member;

a support flange fixedly ~~secure~~secured to each end of the elongated horizontal pipe support member, the pipe having a longitudinal opening extending along the length of the pipe between the support flanges;

an angularly downward plow plate extending between the support flanges and fixedly secured to each support flange and/or the lower portion of the elongated horizontal pipe support member;

a second rotatable elongated horizontal pipe support member axially disposed within the first elongated horizontal pipe support member and extending past at least one of the outer surfaces of the support flanges;

a plow and claw plate fixedly secured to the second rotatable elongated horizontal pipe support member, the plate being preferably curved inward toward the plate at its unsecured end;

means for rotating the second rotatable elongated horizontal pipe support member; and

support means for attachment of the first elongated horizontal pipe support member and/or the support flanges to moving means;

wherein, when the plow and claw assembly is used as a plow with the moving means moving forward, the second rotatable plow and claw plate is rotated to an upward position and, when the plow and claw assembly is used as a claw with the moving means moving backward, the second rotatable plow

and claw plate is rotated to a downward position so that the unsecured end of the plate is proximate the surface being clawed.

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 20, and replace it with the following paragraph:

In another aspect of the invention a combination plow and claw assembly is provided for plowing a surface and clawing a surface wherein the function of the assembly can be easily changed by the operator of a vehicle during use of the assembly comprising:

opposed fixed support plates connected by an elongated cross member forming a support structure;

an elongated rotating member rotatably mounted in openings in the support plates;

means to rotate the rotating member;

an elongated rotating plate fixedly connected to the rotating member and having a lower end and an upper end;

an elongated stationary plate fixedly connected to the support plates and having an upper end and a lower end; and

support means for attachment of the structure to vehicle moving means;

wherein, when the plow and claw assembly is used as a plow with the vehicle moving means moving forward, the elongated rotating plate is rotated to an upward position so that the lower end of the rotating plate and upper end of the stationary plate are proximate and, when the plow and claw assembly is

used as a claw with the vehicle moving means moving backwards, the elongated rotating plate is moved to a downward position so that the upper end of the rotating plate is below the lower end of the stationary plate and proximate the surface to be clawed.

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 17, and replace it with the following paragraph:

Fig. 3B shows the plow and claw assembly of Fig. 3A wherein the rotatable plow plate 15 is rotated so that the end 15a of the plow plate 15 is proximate the surface to ~~the~~be clawed. It will be appreciated in this embodiment that because rotatable plow plate 15 is fixedly secured to the surface of inner pipe 13 (which pipe does not have a longitudinal opening) that there is no opening in which the dirt or snow may be forced into during use of the assembly. This configuration is desirable for certain designs. The plow surface will not be smooth however as shown in Fig. 2A.

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 18, and replace it with the following paragraph:

In this embodiment, the conventional plow 42 of Fig. 4 has been modified to provide a claw function so that the modified plow assembly would provide both a plow function and a claw function. The embodiment is shown generally as 17 and comprises a conventional plow 42 which has been modified by providing a pipe 19 which extends horizontally along the length of the plow surface and through end

plates 22a and 22b which are secured at the ends 41a and 41b of the plow blade 41 by welds or other securing means. The pipe 19 is shown extending through the right plate 22b and is fixedly secured to rotating flange 23b. A bearing would be used between the end plate and the pipe to allow rotation of the ~~pipe~~pipe. Rotating flange 23a has a radial projection 24b. A stop 28b is provided on the plate 22b which will stop rotation of the rotating flange 23b by contact with projection 24b. A piston 21b is shown pivotably secured at both its upper end to piston support 25b and at its lower end to rotating flange 23b. Pipe 19 has fixedly secured thereto a plurality of inward curved tines 20 running along the length of the pipe. A hydraulic line 36 is connected to piston 21b to move the piston rod 21b which rotates rotating flange 23b.

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 12, and replace it with the following paragraph:

Referring to Fig. 5A, piston rod ~~21b~~21b' is shown extended so that projection 24b of rotating flange 23b is facing the vehicle. This is the plow position. In Fig. 5B, piston rod ~~21b~~21b' is retracted and projection 24b is now proximate the stop 28b. Rotating flange 23b was therefore rotated so that the ends of the tines 20 are now in the clawing position.

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 15, line 10, and replace it with the following paragraph:

Referring now to Fig. 15A, a cross-sectional view of the claw and plow assembly of Fig. 10 is shown. The assembly is shown in the plow position and it can be seen that rotating plate 116 is fixedly secured to rotating shaft 114 by pin 130 and welds 136. One or the other could be used but it is preferred to use both for added strength. It is also preferred that pin 130 extend through rotating shaft 114 for added strength. Welds 136 also provide resistance to rocking at the point of connection between rotating plate 116 and rotating shaft ~~114~~114. Stop 128A is fixedly connected to the end 116B of the rotating plate 116 and stops rotating plate 116 from rotating past the plane of the fixed plate 118 to form a smooth continuous mated rotating plate 116 and fixed plate 118 surface for plowing.